# MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 18, 2003 – 3:00 p.m. – Room 129 State Capitol

**Members Present:** 

Sen. Dan R. Eastman, Senate Chair Rep. Joseph G. Murray, House Chair

Sen. Sheldon Killpack Sen. Ed P. Mayne Rep. Calvin G. Bird Rep. Don E. Bush

Rep. David Clark

Rep. John Dougall

Rep. James A. Dunnigan

Rep. Neil A. Hansen Rep. Brad King

Rep. Ty McCartney

**Members Absent:** 

Sen. John W. Hickman President Al Mansell Rep. Marda Dillree Rep. James A. Ferrin Rep. Todd E. Kiser

Rep. Rebecca Lockhart

**Staff Present:** 

Mr. Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst

Ms. Shannon C. Halverson, Associate General Counsel

Ms. Jennifer Markham, Legislative Secretary

**Note**: A list of others present and a copy of materials can be found at <a href="http://www.image.le.state.ut.us/imaging/history.asp">http://www.image.le.state.ut.us/imaging/history.asp</a> or by contacting the committee secretary, Jennifer Markham, at 538-1032.

#### 1. Committee Business

Chair Murray called the meeting to order at 3:25 p.m. Chair Murray introduced Sen. Sheldon Killpack, who replaced Sen. Steele as a member of the Committee.

**MOTION:** Rep. Dougall moved to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2003 meeting. Chair Murray requested the minutes be corrected to indicate Rep. Dillree was excused from the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Killpack, Rep. Clark, and Rep. Hansen absent for the vote.

#### 2. Commuter and Light Rail Updates

Ms. Kathryn H. S. Pett, UTA (Utah Transit Authority), introduced Mr. Mick A. Crandall, Deputy Chief, Planning and Programming, Mr. Steve Randall, Board President, and Ms. Bonnie Fernandez, a member of the UTA Board.

Mr. Crandall distributed and discussed "Utah Transit Authority Progress Report on Transit Development." He indicated that ridership is twice the original estimates. He stated the draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Weber County to Salt Lake City commuter rail system is expected to be completed in October and service is expected to begin in 2007. Mr. Crandall distributed a copy of the *Standard-Examiner* newspaper containing an article on a similar program in Southern California and indicated similar technology would be used on commuter rail in Utah.

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## 3. Motor Vehicle Safety Inspection Program

Ms. Halverson gave an electronic presentation on the current provisions of the state's vehicle safety inspection program including its history, requirements, fees, and funding distribution. A copy of the presentation "Vehicle Safety Inspections" was included in the mailing packet.

Mr. Tim Osterstock, and Mr. Paul Hicken, Office of the Legislative Auditor General, gave an electronic presentation "A Review of Utah's Vehicle Safety and Emissions Testing" which provided details of the 2001 audit report on the motor vehicle safety and emissions programs. He distributed a copy of the report sent to Speaker Stephens, "Utah's Safety and Emission Testing of Newer Vehicles."

Colonel Scott Duncan and Sgt. Greg Lindell, Utah Highway Patrol, gave an electronic presentation explaining the purpose of inspections, safety inspection accomplishments, the Safety Inspection Advisory Council, and current projects.

Mr. Tom Henry, Turn Key Service; Mr. Don Powers, Powers Services Center; and Mr. Sam Kerbel, Utah Safety Inspection Program; spoke in favor of the vehicle safety program.

### 4. Other Items / Adjourn

**MOTION:** Rep. McCartney moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, with Sen. Mayne and Rep. King absent for the vote. Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.